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Attorney Docket No.  
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the application of:	)	<b>CONFIRMATION NO.: 5203</b>
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<b>Rakha Hari DAS</b>	)	
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U.S. Serial No.: 10/725,994	)	Group Art Unit: 1645
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Filed: December 3, 2003	)	Examiner: Rodney P. Swartz
For: METHOD FOR DETECTING PATHOGENIC MYCOBACTERIA IN CLINICAL SPECIMENS		

**RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

A response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated January 31, 2008 is due by February 29, 2008.

The Notice requires correction of the Amendment of February 22, 2007, whereas claims 1, 2, 3, and 4 were improperly amended. Accordingly, in order that the Amendment be fully compliant with the requirements of 37 CFR §1.121(c), attached hereto is a corrected version of the Amendment submitted February 22, 2007.